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Church is in need of £1m repair

AN historic church in Old Hill is in need of £1 million repairs to the building, including a new roof.

Parishioners at Holy Trinity Church in Halesowen Road, are now on a huge fundraising trail.

The church is already undergoing a revamp which has so far seen new central heating and a new £25,000 stained glass window installed.

Now Rachel Ford, spokeswoman for the church, said another £1m was needed, with a new roof a top priority. The church hopes to hold fundraising drives and to look for grants that may be available.

Ms Ford added: "We have financed the windows which was £25,000 and the central heating was around £20,000 and we have done that through fundraising."

The Grade II listed church is celebrating after its Open Door project was awarded £4,000 from the Church and Community Fund. The

he scheme means the doors of the church are open to callers every weekday morning from 8.30am and people can call in for a drink, a chat or to pray.

Campaign to put smiles on faces

HOME-BASED support provider Carewatch is launching a campaign to find out what makes people happy in order to put in place the care and help necessary to make it happen.

To help with this research, Carewatch is inviting children to enter a picture competition and win £500 in stationary vouchers for their school or club as well as a £50 voucher prize for themselves.

The company has launched the competition in Wolverhampton, Staffordshire and Shropshire with a closing date of July 20. The competition is open to children aged 4-11 and is free to enter.

Details and competition entry forms can be downloaded from www.carewatch-sws.co.uk or send a stamped, addressed envelope to Carewatch, Cornerstone House, Stafford Park 13, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 3AZ.

Sharing thrift tips

DUDLEY Council has launched a new website to help organisations get value for money. The site aims to share experiences from private and voluntary sectors. Visit the website <http://www.dudley.gov.uk/valueformoney>

Home security help

OLDER people in Dudley can get advice on safety and security in their home from The Living well, feeling safe scheme service. A free home assessment or further advice is available by calling 01384 817743

Business partners put revamped Regis on the market with a £900,000 price tag

A CELEBRATED music venue in Old Hill is up for sale with a £900,000 price tag.

The Regis, famed for its live music nights during the Swinging Sixties, has been put on the market by owners Tony Billingham and Carole Jenkins.

The business partners saved the building in 2008, buying it at auction from Sandwell Council for £500,000.

It was given a £250,000 refit and has since hosted dinners, business meetings, conferences, wedding receptions and live music events.

Design architect Terry Glazebrook, who has carried out luxury holiday home projects for the stars, including comedian Jasper Carrott and golfer Ian Woosnam, created a 1930 Art Deco theme throughout the building.

At the time of the official opening former chief executive of the Black Country Chamber Ian Brough said the Regis represented "the true entrepreneurial



spirit of the region." Mr Brough, now director of external affairs with Richardsons Capital LLP in Oldbury, added: "The quality of the conference facil-

The Regis in Cradley Heath which is now on the market for £900,000. The popular venue underwent a £250,000 Art Deco-style facelift with homes designer to the stars Terry Glazebrook

ities which have been created have long been much needed in the area."

Known for its glory years as the former Regis Hall it saw 60s band The Drifters and Edwin Starr take the stage. It was also a popular rock'n'roll dance hall before becoming key in keeping the Northern Soul scene buzzing in the West Midlands.

Under its new owners The Regis played host to Cockney musicians Chas 'n' Dave and international jazz trumpeter Digby Fairweather as well as local bands and performers.

Mr Billingham would not comment on the sale. The Regis is being sold by the Birmingham office of Christie + Co.

Spokesman Paul Reilly said that the sale was a great opportunity for someone looking to take on an entertainment venue. Sandwell Council used to use the building as a day centre before controversially pulling the service out of the building in January.

Sainsbury's store to get big facelift

SAINSBURY'S supermarket in Rowley Regis is to undergo a radical revamp that will include a new restaurant.

The store has permission to install a new restaurant on a newly-created mezzanine floor to replace the existing ground floor facility. The entrance to the Halesowen Street store will also be remodelled and the warehouse will be extended.

Sainsbury's spokeswoman Michelle Dix said the development would not create any new jobs, but customers would feel the benefit.

She said: "We are pleased with the council's decision to grant permission."

CAMPAIGN JOY ON FLATS CASH

By Sarah Hazelwood

FLATS in Halesowen are to have a £748,000 makeover following almost two years of complaints from angry residents.

Renovations to the low-rise blocks on The Highfields council housing state have begun with homes at Bredon Court being fitted with new gas central heating systems.

Later this month workers are due to move to Ankerdine Court to replace the single glazed windows and balcony doors before starting improvements to the Andrew Road and Wychbury flats.

The funding has been set aside from the council's housing capital budget after residents expressed their concerns over the unreliable and expensive storage heaters. Many families were forced to live without heating for several months.

Susan Gillard, who has shared the ground floor flat of Bredon Court with her partner for the past 18 months, was without efficient heating for more than a year, which led to severe damp.

"I am so pleased with the work that has been done. The damp has reduced and once the windows are in we are expecting to finally have a warm and draft free flat," she said.

"It is great that the council have finally taken notice, no-one should have to live the way we did. It was very costly for us

and had a huge impact on my health." During the past two years tenants have sent petitions to the Halesowen Area Committee outlining their concerns.

After an influx of complaints the council's building services moved in last year to start improvements on 180 flats.

Jane Emery, who lives on the second floor of Bredon Court with her 18-year-old daughter, said: "The old heaters were very costly and unreliable but the new heating is already helping to reduce my bills."

"Ever since I moved in back in 2009 I have had trouble but I am now looking forward a more comfortable winter for me and my family this year."

Delighted

As part of the programme, which is expected to continue throughout 2012, an estimated £400,000 will be spent on double glazing and £348,000 on central heating.

Work will then commence on the estate's two high-rise blocks.

Belle Vale councillor Jill Nicholls, who is supporting the project, said: "The new central heating is very much needed as some families have been living in cold, damp conditions and together with the double glazing the residents will have a better quality of living."

"I have spoken to many families who are delighted with their new improvements."



Residents Susan Gillard, left and Jane Emery, right, with councillor Jill Nicholls as they celebrate the refurbishment of the Highfields estate flats in Halesowen

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Benefits Shop staffing level cut

STAFFING levels at Dudley's dedicated one-stop benefits advice service have been slashed as the first of £200,000 of cuts to the service were unveiled.

Opening hours at The Benefits Shop, which is based in Priory Street, will be reduced from May 31 as a review of the service gets underway.

The shop itself is expected to close in October. Its services will be merged with other advice centres such as the Citizens Advice Bureau or Dudley Council Plus. The shop previously employed 12 members of staff, 10 of whom were full-time.

But they have now been cut down to just seven as the shop will only be open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30am to noon, and on Tuesdays from 2pm to 4pm.

Dudley Council spokeswoman Katherine Finney said all seven would be added to the redeployment list once the review had been completed.

Meanwhile, the shop's telephone advice service will also be reduced, manned only between 9.30am and noon from Mondays to Wednesdays, instead of every day, and from 2pm to 4pm on Thursdays.

Face-to-face appointments will be available only on Tuesday afternoons, Thursdays, and Friday mornings.

£662,000 is raised from land sales

PLOTS of land owned by a Black Country council has been bought for £662,000 at auction as it battles to save cash by selling assets.

The former Timbertree Nursery, Graingers Lane, Cradley Heath, fetched £160,000, while compounds at Purdy Road, Tipton were for £100,000.

Also included in the auction were a property at 77, Alexandra Road, Tipton, which sold for £96,000, and 47 and 48, Park Lane East, Tipton, which went for £76,000.

Councillor Ian Jones, Sandwell Council's jobs and economy boss, said the sale came

as the council re-evaluated its property portfolio to save cash and frontline services.

He added: "I'm very encouraged by the result of this auction, which has seen all but one lot sold, at good prices. I think we have got a great deal for the residents of Sandwell and it shows there is real faith in the borough's development potential and the local economy."

"The auction is part of our disposal programme to bring empty or under-used land and buildings back into use."

Auctioneers also sold land between 50 and 53b, Leabrook Road, Wednesbury, for £70,000 and another patch of land adjacent to School Street and St Lukes Street, Cradley Heath, for £38,000.

Plots of land adjacent to Ebenezer Street, West Bromwich, and 52, Anson Road, West Bromwich, sold for £38,000 and £10,000 respectively. Land at the north and south side of Perry Street, Wednesbury, raised £25,000 and £18,000 respectively while a plot at Heronville Drive, Harvills Hawthorn was sold for £10,000.

The one lot which failed to sell was land at Dudley Road, Rowley Regis.

The council is trying to save £75 million by 2015 and is selling off land and buildings across the borough to bring in extra cash.

In total, the portfolio is worth about £4 million.

Developer seeks a fresh challenge

THE developer appointed to erect a £15 million Hilton hotel on a rundown gateway to Wolverhampton city centre is appealing for "opportunities throughout the UK" on its website.

Stourbridge-based Cordwell Property Group is involved in plans to demolish the Fox Hotel, off the Penn Road island, and replace it with a 133-bedroom Hilton.

The scheme was due to get under way in February but has stalled and now Cordwell wants new projects. A statement published

on the Cordwell website reads: "Our current requirements include hotel sites, leisure, retail, car parks, offices and student housing."

The firm is due to start work on a 60-bed Travelodge in Eastleigh, Hampshire, next month.

Hilton Worldwide is interested in building a Hampton by Hilton chain hotels on the Fox Hotel site. Talks between Hilton, Cordwell and Wolverhampton City Council are continuing. Planning permission was granted in November.

Booked up to help good cause



Relaxing with a book is volunteer Helen Hobbs with manager Hilary Bullock

AN NEW book shop catering for readers of all ages has opened its doors at a flagship store for a Stourbridge-based charity.

Mary Stevens Hospice is behind the new venture which aims to help plug vital gaps in funding caused by the financial downturn. The book store, which opened last week, has been funded thanks to a £10,000 donation by long-term supporter and Brierley Hill businessman Mike Brown.

It is based in the empty first floor of the store in Stourbridge High Street which has also been earmarked for a coffee shop, set to open later this year.

Book shop manager Hilary Bullock said the shop had been inundated with donations of books including fiction and non-fiction to fill the shelves.

"People have been very generous," she said.

There is also a large range of children's books for sale. An innovative book cataloguing computer system will be introduced in the downstairs section.

This allows people with mobility problems who would be unable to access the first floor still to look through the collection.

Adviser to help cut time on ward

AN adviser tasked with helping to reduce the amount of time patients spent on wards at Dudley's three hospitals is being recruited.

The part-time worker will help lead the Transformation project aimed at reducing waste and improving patient care as well as saving money.

The salary for the Transformation Lead Practitioner post is £30,460-£40,157. They will work with nursing staff and other workers at Russells Hall and The Guest hospitals in Dudley and the Corbett in Stourbridge.

They will look at how they can make wards run more efficiently and reduce the time patients have to stay in hospital.

Surgeons

Chief executive of Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, Paula Clark, said: "Transformation is a trust-wide service improvement programme set up to maximise the best clinical outcome."

"The trust advertised a part time vacancy for a lean practitioner to help deliver the programme."

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Mayor's pledge to help business



The new Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans, relaxes at home with wife Glenys

THE new mayor of Dudley has vowed to look to the future while being inspired by the past.

One of Councillor Michael Evans's main aims is to support local businesses – by working alongside the authority's new leader Les Jones.

But during his year in office he will also be thinking of his late niece Jenny, who died of leukaemia aged 20. Her death in 1989 shocked her family but has led Councillor Evans to support leukaemia charities ever since. And now he has the opportunity to help even more.

He hopes events during his mayoral year will raise thousands of pounds for the Georgina Unit at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital – where Jenny was treated.

He said: "The treatment she received at Russells Hall was fantastic but that was at a time where there wasn't the level of technology available that they have now."

"She had to go to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham to have a bone marrow transplant. But the unit is fantastic now and the work they do is brilliant."

Concerns

Councillor Evans, a Conservative who represents Sedgley ward, served as deputy mayor last year.

He was named as this year's mayor in a ceremony at Dudley's Council House, taking over from Councillor Peter Miller.

The father-of-two, of Dumbleberry Avenue, Sedgley, wants to work closely with local businesses to see how they can be helped in the current economic downturn.

He said: "I aim to visit and talk to as many local businesses as possible and sit down with the new leader to see how we can help them and look at their concerns."

"It's going to be a very busy year but I'm very much looking forward to it."

The 71-year-old has served as a councillor for 11 years and has been cabinet member for both housing and children's services.

The other good cause he will support this year is the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association, which helps ex-servicemen and women who have been injured in conflict. Councillor Evans and his wife of 46 years, Glenys, have two sons aged 40 and 44, and two grandsons, Taylor, aged four, and Parker, eight.

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The new-look library in Blackheath

Seventy years on Ivan gets VIP welcome at town's new library

A PENSIONER who joined Blackheath library as a child was the first customer through the doors at its brand new home.

Ivan Hackett was greeted last week by Sandwell mayor Councillor Pauline Hinton at the official opening of Blackheath Library.

The 87-year-old started using the old library before the Second World War, more than 70 years ago.

He joked: "I've been going to the old library since the 1930s but I doubt I'll be using this one for that long."

Councillor Hinton cut a ribbon to open the library.

She said: "It is wonderful to



Sandwell mayor, Councillor Pauline Hinton (right), Ivan Hackett and Councillor Ann Shackleton at the new Blackheath library

open this stunning new library which will give local people 21st century facilities." The library

boasts twice the floor space of its old home and features Quick Serve self-issue systems and wifi.

The project is a joint venture with Black Country Housing Group, which will occupy the first and second floors of the building.

The new building's energy-efficient design features state-of-the-art systems for heating, lighting and hot water to achieve the highest environmental award for buildings.

Cabinet member for youth, culture and families Councillor Ann Shackleton also attended the opening.

The former library building, built with a donation by Scottish American philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, has been put on the market by the council.

Any buyer will have to ensure a sympathetic use which respects the building's heritage.

Four facing charges on damage

FOUR men accused of damaging windows at businesses in a Black Country town have appeared before magistrates in Dudley.

Michael O'Sullivan, aged 20, of Codsall Road, Old Hill, Warley, is accused of six counts of criminal damage. Scott Appleby, 20, of Western Road, Cradley Heath, and Craig French, 21, of Codsall Road, Cradley Heath, each face four charges of criminal damage.

Christopher Bennett, 21, of Hall Street, Old Hill, is accused of two counts.

All of the charges relate to incidents in Bilston Street, Sedgley, on April 17 this year. Last week's hearing was adjourned until June 13. All four men were given bail until their next appearance before the court.

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Here for the beer – friends toast new business



Sue Rowley and Debbie Williams at the home brew stall

THEY spent years as care workers, but two women are now toasting success after launching a new career cashing in on the boom in brew-your-own beers.

Sue Rowley and Debbie Williams say they have been inundated with interest since opening their new home brew stall, called Bucket and Barrel at Brierley Hill's Concord indoor market.

The friends worked for years in the community around Wyre Forest before coming up with their business venture. They decided to take the plunge after seeing the rapid rise in popularity of traditional

home-brewed beverages during the tough economic times.

They were inspired to set up the market pitch at the High Street venue after Sue's husband Paul and Debbie's partner Dean started brewing their own beer. Mrs Rowley had some experience in the pub trade as licensee of the former Blue Pig pub in Netherton.

Inspired

The friends, both aged 47, and from Bewdley, said they had been nervous to start up on their own.

"It is a bit unusual and we were a bit nervous but with Sue having kept a pub in

the past, that has helped us," said Miss Williams, a grandmother-of-one. "Our husbands had started making their own beer so we were inspired to have a go with the stall because there is so much interest these days in home brewing."

Mother-of-one Mrs Rowley said: "We wanted to set up something for ourselves and this seemed like a good idea. It has got off to a good start and we are hoping it will continue."

"A lot of interest is coming from younger people who want to learn the processes behind making their own drinks. I think in the current economic climate people see it is a cheaper option."

Police alert as £600 is taken from pensioner

A PENSIONER claimed she was cheated out of more than £600 after being targeted by bogus workmen at her home in Tivdale.

Police have now urged residents in Sandwell to beware of common overcharging for garden work.

The 86-year-old woman handed over the cash to workmen who claimed to be from the council. The men demanded payment

after cutting branches from a tree in the garden of her home.

Oldbury and Rowley Regis sector Insp Ian Massey said: "The victim assumed the workmen were genuine and handed over the cash in good faith."

"This type of crime is particularly distressing as the offenders prey on elderly and vulnerable victims."

"We are urging residents not to agree to work being done by workmen who knock on

doors to solicit work and never make payments in advance."

The men are described as white and stocky.

One was between 6ft and 6ft 2ins tall, aged in his 40s and dressed in dark clothing. The other was 5ft 5ins to 6ft tall, aged in his early 20s and wearing a white cap. They drove a white transit van.

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Secrets of eye-in-sky £4m police copter are revealed



The cockpit of the latest police helicopter

THE team behind West Midlands Police's £4.5 million helicopter have been lifting the lid on its operations.

The new aircraft, which came into service in August last year, has already attended almost 4,000 call-outs.

And the unit that runs it has now launched its own feed on social network site Twitter in a bid to give followers up to the

minute updates on the helicopter's work and see the policing operations it is involved with. The page already has more than 1,000 followers and has received positive feedback from the general public.

Advanced

The helicopter, which reaches speeds of 160mph uses specialist thermal imaging technology to conduct searches, which are so

accurate it can detect devices as small as mobile telephones.

Since its operation it has already helped in the recovery of £1m worth of property. Assistant Chief Constable Garry Forsyth said it allows the staff of a civilian pilot and two officers to conduct searches of areas in minutes.

Head of operations Sgt Dave Mitchell said: "This is one of the most advanced aircraft in the world. The things it can do are quite incredible. We can find a mobile phone which someone has dropped on the ground from way up in the sky."

One of the helicopter's crew is 38-year-old Pc Matt Holder, from Tamworth. He said: "It's just like being in a patrol car. You just have a better view."

Since August the helicopter has attended 3,923 incidents in 1,592 flights. It has been responsible for 218 direct arrests and has assisted in 161 arrests and located 22 missing people and 62 vehicles.

Recent activity highlighted on the Twitter site included details of a laser pen pointed at the aircraft as it responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at 3am on Wednesday. The beam was traced to a house in Langley in Sandwell and a 17-year-old was arrested.

To view the Twitter feed log on to www.twitter.com/WMP_HeliCopter



Unit executive officer Dave Mitchell and Air Chief Constable Garry Forsyth, launch the Twitter feed

New line-up for council top jobs

A RESHUFFLE of Dudley Council's cabinet has been announced by the authority's new leader.

Councillor Les Jones named the new line-up at a meeting last week.

Ex-council leader Anne Millward was ousted by two votes in local elections this month.

The new 10-member executive panel will meet monthly over the next year.

Councillor David Vickers, who represents Halesowen South, has taken the portfolio of performance management and quality assurance – previously held by Councillor Adrian Turner.

Councillor Vickers was cabinet member for education until five years ago.

Councillor Turner is now responsible for housing, libraries and adult learning – replacing David Simms who lost his seat in elections. New deputy leader Councillor Tim Wright, is former chairman of the planning committee.

He is now cabinet member for human resources, law and governance – a portfolio created this year.

Approved

Councillor Jones passed on his regeneration portfolio to Councillor Angus Adams, formerly responsible for transportation.

That role is now taken by Councillor Patrick Harley.

The new cabinet line-up was approved at the annual meeting of Dudley Council last night, where the new mayor was appointed, and Councillor Jones officially stepped into his new role as leader.

Councillor Jones, who was born in the Black Country, twice stood as Tory parliamentary candidate for Halesowen and Rowley Regis in 2001 and 2005.

He said: "There have been a few changes made so people will see some difference but I believe this is a cabinet that can serve the people of Dudley in the best way possible."

Councillors David Blood, who looks after finance, David Stanley who covers environment and culture and Lesley Faulkner who represents adult and community services, all kept the same roles for the coming year.

Councillor Liz Walker, who holds the children's services portfolio also remains in post.

Truck blaze captured



Flames envelop the truck on the roadside at the junction of Swindon Road and Highwood Close, near Kingswinford. Taken by Express& Star reader Mick Basterfield



Charred shell – the burnt-out truck

THESE dramatic photographs capture the damage caused to a truck by a ferocious blaze in Dudley.

Residents describe hearing a loud bang as the vehicle, thought to be a Toyota Hilux, burst into flames in the early hours of Wednesday, May 25.

The truck had been parked just off the roadway at the junction of Swindon Road and Highwood Close, near Kingswinford. People living nearby called for firefighters to tackle the blaze which started at around 3am near

The Summerhill pub. Firefighters were at the scene for around 30 minutes. Residents awoke to see the empty shell of the truck still at the roadside.

Mick Basterfield, who lives close to the scene, was one of the first people to see the blaze and called in emergency services.

"We awoke to the loud bang and as we looked out of the window we could see the fire," he said.

"The truck was well alight. There is quite a lot of damage to the truck."

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Musical director June Hartley conducts the Greenfield Singers



The singers with their Music Festival trophy

Choir members who seek greener fields

A CHOIR of "ladies of a certain age" is sending out an SOS to boost its voices – after membership dwindled to just eight singers.

The Greenfield Singers, founded in 1990, at one time swelled to around 23 women.

But over recent years, the number has plummeted as members have moved away, become ill or died.

Despite being a little thin on the ground, the Stourbridge-based group recently won the Marguerite Hodson Cup for the best choir at Dudley Music Festival, beating off groups who were much younger and larger in number.

They are a loyal bunch – most of the eight remaining singers and their musical director and

accompanist have been with the choir for many years and they meet every Monday afternoon at the Baptist Church in Hanbury Hill, Stourbridge.

But they are desperate for more members – and are now appealing for local women, of any age, to join them.

Founder and musical director June Hartley, aged 79, of Westhead Road, Cookley, near Kidderminster, said: "All they need is to be able to sing in tune – we'll do the rest."

She added: "We are about to come of age – the choir was founded 21 years ago this autumn."

"During the 1990s we built up to around 23 members and we used to perform concerts around the area."

"But we're now down to two alto voices and six sopranos and would like more of each."

"We still sing for pensioners'

"To us, winning the Dudley Music Festival Cup was like being on The X Factor"
– June Hartley

groups, at hospices and so on and, to us, winning the Dudley Music Festival cup was like being on the X Factor."

"We exploded afterwards – we were just over the moon."

Amused

The choir grew from singing lessons that June used to run from her former home in Hagley and among her pupils was Pat

Murray, of Church Road, Oldswinford, Stourbridge, who is still a member at the age of 85.

"It was my husband, Keith, who gave us the name Greenfield Singers because, in those days, we used to rehearse in New Hall at Greenfield Primary School," said Pat.

In its 1990s heyday the choir performed at venues including Worcester Cathedral, Huntingdon Hall, Worcester, and at Birmingham Tattoo.

The eight remaining choir members were amused to find that their total age is 588 years, an average of 73 and a half. "Singing keeps us young," said member Vera Trinder, aged 76.

Anyone interested in joining the Greenfield Singers should contact June Hartley on 01562 850529.

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Cap'n Jack Lego-style in an amusing take on Disney's Pirates of the Caribbean franchise

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WE have had Lego-fied Harry Potter, Indiana Jones and Star Wars – and now the Pirates of the Caribbean get the treatment.

The fun factor is always high in these Lego puzzlers and this is a particularly amusing romp through the key moments from the first three movies featuring Cap'n Jack and his fellow swashbucklers. In fact, you will probably chuckle more playing this than watching the latest blockbuster instalment.

There is some fighting but, as before, it is mostly about solving puzzles and making stuff out of Lego bricks. You can swap between characters too.

Star Raiders

SPACE combat was once a mainstay of the games industry, going right back to the arcade roots. But apart from the occasional spaceship shooting element within a game which has its focus elsewhere, or ageing Star Wars title, the sub-genre has almost vanished. Star Raiders will not bring it back. This Xbox Live Arcade offering based on an old Atari title is too slow, repetitive and boring, despite nice graphics. Floating around, getting glancing blows from huge spaceships doesn't cut it any more.

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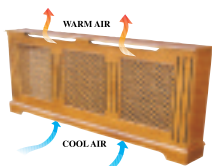
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Mark Hannon, works manager from Midtherm Laser Ltd at Peartree Lane, Dudley, with some of the metal artwork they have made for the project

Metal signs for the cut trail

SCULPTURES to be displayed along-side the canals in the Black Country as part of £40,000 history trail are being cut from steel.

Intricate designs by Cradley Heath artist and sculptor Luke Perry are being brought to life at Midtherm Laser Ltd in Dudley.

The sculptures are among 35 that will be displayed along the Dudley Canal. The trail will stretch from Blowers Green Bridge on Pear Tree

Lane in Dudley along the canal through Bumble Hole Nature Reserve on the Sandwell border to the Gorsty Hill Tunnel in Old Hill.

Luke, aged 27, has designed all the artworks, which include highly decorative signs and Midtherm Laser Ltd are cutting the shapes from the metal.

The trail, which has been funded by Community Spaces, is set to open on July 31.

Council is spending £50,000 on new cars

CASH-STRAPPED Sandwell Council is forking out more than £50,000 on new cars despite slashing budgets and hundreds of jobs.

Seven brand new Nissan Note cars have been added to a pool of vehicles for staff, each costing £7,500.

Bosses have defended the move, saying it will save money in the long run as it will avoid having to pay staff mileage costs. But critics said the purchase was unnecessary and an "insult" to staff at a time the authority is axing 520 jobs.

The latest spend on vehicles comes after the authority said it planned to pay £500,000 for a fleet of electric cars and charging points, although these plans are currently on hold.

Mileage

It follows a decision to cut mileage claims for staff from 65p to 45p in a bid to save £1 million a year, a decision which caused uproar among workers, with some threatening to walk out.

Councillor Mahboob Hussain said by increasing its car pool, currently 43 vehicles, it will save money and prevent wear and tear on workers' cars.

Brian Rickers, spokesman for union Unite said: "The council says that buying more pool cars will save money but I don't see how. It isn't just the initial cost, but tax, insurance and fuel. Spending this money is another insult to staff at this difficult time."

The council faces £31m of cuts in 2011/12.

Kick start for training

A £1.8 MILLION Black Country training programme to help get hundreds of unemployed young people into work has been announced.

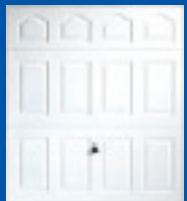
The two-year programme called Kick Start Gold will target 1,000 14 to 19-year-olds currently not in education, employment or training.

The Black Country Training Group, at Taylors Lane, Oldbury, has secured £1.8 million from the Skills Funding Agency. Chris Luty, director, said: "The aim is that it gives young people a kick start back into learning which will then lead to a place at college, an apprenticeship or employment."

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Out-of-hours top-up to rent the library rooms

Tips on the menu for food lovers

FOOD LOVERS were given tips on how to cut down on the amount of items they throw away at an event held in the Black Country.

Part of the national Love Food Hate Waste scheme, it took place at Netherton Park, off Recreation Street, Netherton. It was organised by Dudley Council and led by nutritional consultant Monica Price.

As part of the three-hour event, residents were taught recipes featuring a number of ingredients to use up food which might otherwise be thrown away.

And they were shown how fruits nearing the end of their freshness could be used in desserts. Among the recipes on the menu was an Italian pastry filled with cheese and tomatoes.

Mrs Price said it had been an excellent event which visitors had enjoyed.

"The aim of events like this is to cut down on the amount of food people throw away," she said.

"For example, bananas which have gone slightly brown can be used in the baking of cakes or buns.



Nutritional consultant Monica Price displays her recipes and gives tips to Abdul Chana, Jenny Worwood, Linda Nash, Leanne Vanes and Tracy Wood

NEW charges for community groups renting rooms outside normal opening hours at Dudley libraries have been brought in.

The council says the money will help cover the cost of employing workers to staff the buildings at these times.

As well as the normal rent fees, an additional £9 is now charged when a room is used after the library has closed up to 8pm and £12 for hours after 8pm. Groups who regularly rent the rooms have been informed about the charges and given the chance to move their sessions within normal opening hours.

Assistant director for libraries Kate Millin said: "These charges simply contribute towards covering the costs of staffing the libraries for extended hours when the libraries are closed to the public."

"It should be noted that before the tariffs were agreed, all users were offered the chance to move their bookings to times when the libraries are open, when hire charges are lower."

Standardising

It comes after the fee for renting a room at Dudley Library was increased by more than a third to bring the charge into line with other libraries in the borough. Charges have gone up from £11 per hour to £15.

One group has now found a new venue where it pays less than half what it was spending at the library.

The Dudley and Great Bridge Spiritualist Church has moved to the former Sons of Rest building in the Paradise Centre, Buffery Street.

It now pays £7 an hour, meaning more money can go towards providing refreshments for members.

Council spokeswoman Katherine Finney said: "Prices have varied across venues but we are standardising charges and bringing them in line with each other, depending on their size and facilities available."

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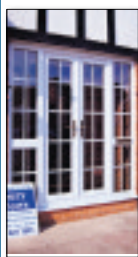
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Titanic theme at show

ADULT learners from across Dudley are getting ready for an annual arts showcase event later this year.

Arts Factor 2011 will take place at Leasowes Community College in Halesowen on July 1 and will have the theme, the Titanic.

Among those taking part is Pulse, a group of people with learning disabilities who meet at Sedgley Community Centre. The group has produced a video of their dance performance that

will be shown at the event. Other performers include belly dancers from Thorns Community College and the Dormston Centre and an African drumming group from Learning for Life at Wordsley School.

Another group of adult learners from the Fens Pool sewing class are making Edwardian costumes which they will be wearing at the event.

For details contact Adult and Community Learning on 01384 818143.

'Priory' show home is nearing completion

On song to help cancer cause

A COLLECTION of songs inspired by the Black Country has been put together to raise money for a Dudley cancer charity.

The CD, called the Black Country and Me, features around 15 performers who donated their time for free.

It will be sold in aid of Dudley Cancer Support, based at The White House in Ednam Road, Dudley.

The charity CD, which has 18 songs, will be launched at an event at the Copthorne Hotel in Brierley Hill on Friday (June 3). Performers will take to the stage to play their tunes at the Black Country Acoustic Night.

Information

All of the production costs of the CD have been covered by sponsorship so all the cash from sales can go to the charity.

Cancer Support manager Chris Baron said: "I am totally overwhelmed by the generosity of all the people involved in producing this CD."

"Every penny raised from the sales of the CD and the tickets for the launch night will come to Cancer Support, which will enable us to continue to provide emotional support, practical help and information to cancer patients, their families and friends in the Dudley borough." Tickets for the acoustic night cost £5. For details call 01384 231232.



Dudley Cancer Support volunteer John Landford, manager Chris Baron, and Phil Harton from Triple Echoes with guitar at the ready and the charity CD

The first show home at a £37 million housing development being built on the site of Dudley's former north Priory estate will open soon. Keepmoat Homes is building 37 of the first 100 properties to go up on the site.

It was revealed last week that the finishing touches were now being put on the showhome.

Work on the £11m first phase of the 314-home project started last year after a £5.5m grant from the Homes and Community Agency.

Another developer, Bromford, is building 63 affordable homes, 56 of them for rent and seven for first-time buyers on lower incomes.

Dudley Council spokeswoman Vikki Marshall said the developers were finalising details and the showhome would be open within days.

"We are hoping to get confirmation of when that date is very soon," she added.

It has been confirmed that street names around the estate - renamed as Friars Gate - will be inspired by the Priory of St James's which was founded in the area in the middle of the 12th century.

Street names include Bradfield Way, after the Church of Bradfield which was bestowed to the priory, Webley Grove after John Webley who was the Prior of Dudley between 1535 and 1539 and Shrewsbury Place, after the Prior in 1539-40, Thomas Shrewsbury.

Hackett Drive is in honour of the Chapel of Cofton Hackett which was given to the priory.

Six properties will be ready for sale in late spring. The first rented properties will be available by summer.

All properties in the first phase of the development will be completed by summer.

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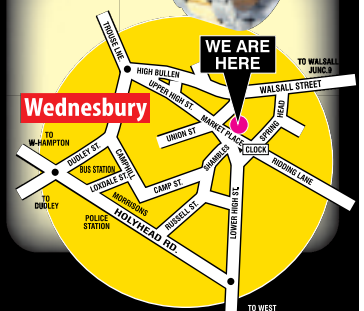
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Police cuts - crooks will be rubbing their hands with glee, says retired officer



Bryan Connor in the 1980s

AN EX-POLICEMAN who walked the beat in the Black Country for 30 years says he fears cutbacks have made policing the area a harder job than ever.

Bryan Connor, aged 54, worked as a constable in Sandwell, at Smethwick, Oldbury, Old Hill and West Bromwich police stations. The father-of-three read sections from his book of memoirs, entitled *Voices from a Blue Box*, Tales from a Black Country Copper at the new Jack Judge Library in Oldbury last month.

The book features a series of short stories about the entertaining, sometimes bizarre and often humorous situations he found himself in. They are taken from notes he made through the years.

Mr Connor, of Sedgley Road East, Dudley, said: "I was inspired to take the notes during the miners' strike of 1984 when Pc Steve Pulaski and myself were patrolling a lane near Coventry looking for pickets from Yorkshire."

"Having time to kill I retold my tales to Steve, who found them entertaining and was the first person to encourage me to record them for posterity."

Mr Connor has been making notes ever since. Stories include his traumatic first

post mortem as a junior officer and the problems faced policing major incidents like football matches.

One tale recalls a veteran constable who, while supposedly off work sick, was spotted acting as a snooker referee on television.

Another story tells of a bus driver who regularly used to steal Double Decker chocolate bars.

Voices from a Blue Box is available in bookstores now.

Meanwhile, asked about the current policing situation the increase in knives and guns on the streets and reductions in officer numbers has impacted on the police.

Nonsense

He said: "It is very dangerous out there on the street now."

"I also think the job is not appreciated by the public like it was when I first started."

"There is nothing like a bobby on the beat to get to know an area."

"I used to know the name of every landlord in my area but I'm not sure it would be the same now."

"I became disenchanted with the cutbacks before I left last year."

"It is nonsense to say crime won't be affected by reducing officer numbers, criminals will be rubbing their hands together with glee."



Former policeman Bryan Connor with copies of his book on sale at Oldbury Library

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More than 100 runners set off in the charity event at Leasowes Park, Halesowen

Fun event helping rising stars to shine

FRIENDS and families came together to step out for a charity fun run aimed at helping the next generation of sporting and musical stars.

Around 130 people turned out at the starting line for the Halesowen Foundation fun run around the town's Leasowes Park.

The foundation, which is a registered charity, supports learners in Halesowen who have demonstrated talents and abilities specifically in sport and music.

Organisers of the event said they were keen to promote the foundation's work to encourage more youngsters to contact them for advice and support.

Those taking part could try a 2.5k run or, if they were feeling brave, there was also a five kilometre course

to tackle around the park for the event on Saturday morning.

One of the event organisers Mary Grinham said they had been pleased with the number of people taking part.

"It was a really good morning and nice to see people giving it a go and helping the foundation at the same time," she said.

Competitions

"The event had been organised as a fundraiser for the foundation but also to show people what we do and tell them ways we can help those who have shown a real talent for sports and music."

The foundation has given youngsters funding for a variety of activities including trips abroad for competitions.



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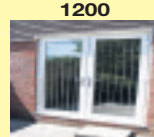


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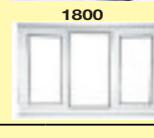
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Chris Kelly, centre back, with staff Jo Rogers, Lucy Collins, Laura Cartwright, Maria Phipps, Lee-Anne Knowles and pupils

YOUNGSTERS from a school in Kingswinford have been walking the corridors of power during a trip to the Houses of Parliament.

Bromley Hills Primary School, in Granville Drive, has recently set up a students' council and its members went to London on Friday, May 20, to get a taste of Parliamentary life.

Highlights of the trip included a spin on the London Eye, paying a visit to the Palace of Westminster, as well as meeting their local MP, Chris Kelly, who prolonged his stay in London especially for the pupils.

Questions

Deputy head Jo Rogers said: "The children were able to ask lots of questions and find out what it's like to be a Member of Parliament."

"It gave the children a real taste of where their role could one day lead them."

Mr Kelly said, "It was great to see 24 kids with so much excitement in their eyes having just been on the London Eye and into the Chamber of the House of Lords and the House of Commons."

"I was able to give the children my take on life as a new MP and answer their questions."

Folk star Lakeman to top bill for Arleyfest

A ROCK festival will be held in the picturesque Worcestershire countryside to help towards a £250,000 rebuild of a crumbling village hall.

Arleyfest 2011 – the second annual three-day festival to be held in the small village near Kidderminster – will take place in the community sports field off Arley Lane on June 10, 11 and 12.

Popular folk star Seth Lakeman and Wolverhampton singer-songwriter Scott Matthews will headline the festival, along with three-piece band Cantaloop starring Frank from Fun Lovin' Criminals. Festival organiser Jayne McCann said everyone involved was "very excited" about the event.

"It is shaping up to be a brilliant couple of days – we have some really big names signed up which is fantastic," she said.

Cash raised will go towards rebuilding the village hall, which needs extensive repairs and to be made larger to accommodate the increase in student numbers at the nearby Upper Arley C of E First School, which also uses it.

"Ten years ago, the school had 34 pupils – now it has around 100," added Miss McCann.

"It is in a dire state so hopefully the money raised from the festival can help towards giving the village a much-improved hall that's suitable for what it is used for."

Lead Zeppelin front man Robert Plant, who lives near Kidderminster, has donated a signed guitar in aid of the Arleyfest charities.

Expensive jewellery and a laptop were also taken by thieves who targeted the address in Halesowen Road.

The George Cross had been awarded to the victim's grandfather in the Second World War and the MBE was awarded to his father.

Detectives are now appealing for witnesses or anyone with information to come forward.

The burglary happened on May 18 between 9.40am and 4.15pm.

The thieves got to the house through an overgrown wooded area at the back of the home and then got in through a kitchen window.

Various items of jewellery, including a Tag Heuer watch and three rings, a Toshiba laptop and cash were stolen along with the MBE and George Cross.

Dc Martin Peart from Smethwick police station said: "We are keen to hear from anyone who may have been offered any medals for sale."

Anyone who witnessed anything or has information should contact police on 0345 113 5000 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



Scott Matthews with pupils from Upper Arley C of E First School, soul artist Jen Robins and band members from Shaking Trees and Naked Remedy

Plan in pipeline for a bigger car park

DETAILED plans for a £4 million development to more than double the size of a park and ride scheme at Rowley Regis railway station will be drawn up within month, says passenger transport authority Centro.

The project to create 480 new spaces is being revisited after being put on ice in last financial year due to lack of funding but Centro says it is a "priority" and has bought land off Station Road.

Steve Swingle, of Centro, said: "We should start drawing plans up in August and that is when we will establish what each part involved will cost."

Work at the station was due to start this financial year but was hit by cuts. Alongside those plans was a £1.2 million extension of the Wednesbury Parkway Midland Metro stop, which would add 128 spaces on top of the 142 already in place. Passengers had also hoped for more parking at Tame Bridge Parkway railway station. All three car parks are regularly full, with passengers forced to park on the pavement. Bosses have said proposals for Wednesbury Parkway or Tame Bridge Parkway were "under evaluation".

Negotiations to buy land surrounding Wednesbury Parkway, Leabrook Road, are still under way.

Private

Centro bosses are also considering long-term options to expand the park and ride at Cradley Heath railway station in light of a private development opposite.

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George Cross medal stolen

AN MBE and George Cross medal have been stolen during a burglary at a home in Cradley Heath.

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Pitches

He is unable to attend the event due to tour commitments in the US.

Organisers are on the lookout for volunteers to help out during the weekend.

Among the other attractions there will be a real ale and cider bar. People can also camp for the weekend with pitches available for £5 per person.

Spots need to be booked in advance and the campsite will open at 4pm on June 10.

Tickets for the event are available from Park Royal in Bewdley, Strings 'n' Things in Stourport and The Harbour Inn in Arley.

Weekend tickets at £25 are available from www.arleyfest.co.uk.

Co-op store at site of old pub

SUPERMARKET chain Co-op is to build a store on the site of a former Tivdale pub creating 30 new jobs.

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Why Leanne loves being the big girl

WEST End star Leanne Jones is worried that she's going to have to wait until she gets a few wrinkles before she lands another major role in a musical.

The 26-year-old, who grew up in Crewe and Cheshire, caused a sensation when she originated the role of Tracy Turnblad in the London run of hit musical Hairspray.

Now she dreams of such character roles as Dolly Levi in Hello Dolly and Madame Thenardier in Les Misérables.

"But I think I am going to have to get a few more lines on my face before that happens, they are all much older roles," she says. "The great thing about Tracy was that she was only 16."

Tracy was Leanne's first major professional role after leaving theatre school in London, working alongside Michael Ball as her mom and Mel Smith as her dad.

Her high-energy performance – the all-singing all-dancing role kept her on stage for more than two hours of every show – won her three top awards from critics and theatre-goers. She appeared in the Shaftesbury Theatre hit for 18 months, until July 2009.

The West End star talks to **LEON BURAKOWSKI** about success and her hopes for future parts

Since August 2010 she has toured the length and breadth of the UK ("from Arbroath to Barnstaple," she says) in David Simpson's girls' night out comedy play The Naked Truth, about a group of women who take up pole dancing. Leanne took over the role of Bev from Lisa Riley. The play ends its UK trek with a week at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre from Tuesday, June 7, to Saturday, June 11.

"I like Bev because she's a big girl who still gets all the guys," says Leanne. "Usually the big girl roles in a play are unhappy or bitter but Bev is completely the opposite."

She has enjoyed her time with the play and touring the UK with six other actresses.

"It could be a recipe for disaster, all these strong-willed women being together, but I have made some really good friends through this play," she explains.

Her current co-stars include Maureen Nolan, Nikki Sanderson from Coronation Street, Sarah White and Julie Buckfield.

She admits that the role of Bev has not been



Leanne Jones plays Bev in the comedy The Naked Truth at the Grand Theatre

as physically demanding as Tracy. "Bev prefers to sit around, I think she manages about a minute on the pole. But I still keep fit, I like a hotel with a gym. I am happy to be a big girl but I also like to be healthy."

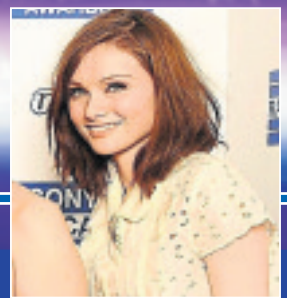
The cast are having a week off before they go through their pole dancing paces for one last week in Wolverhampton.

"It is going to be a very special week, especially the Saturday night, we are going to be buzzing," promised Leanne. As for what's

next, Leanne hinted that some TV work could be coming up.

She was recently on screen as a competitor in Keith Lemon's Saturday night charity game show Sing In You Can, belting out a tune between screams when being spun on a giant wheel, and she will be spending the festive season as a fairy in Beauty and the Beast at Stevenage.

For tickets for The Naked Truth, contact the Grand box office on 01902 429212.



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City gig for Beverley

WOLVERHAMPTON soul singer Beverley Knight releases a new album next month and will be on a UK tour later this year, including a home city gig at the Civic Hall on November 22.

Tickets go on sale on June 27 for her Wolverhampton date and her seventh studio album, Soul UK, is released on July 4 by Hurricane Records. The new album pays homage to the British soul scene of the 1980s and 90s, featuring Bev's covers of songs made famous by Loose Ends, Soul II Soul, Princess and George Michael, among others.



Beverley Knight

Rock on Tommy, Roger sings Who opera

ONE of the classic rock albums will be performed in its entirety when Roger Daltrey presents The Who's rock opera Tommy at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on Sunday, July 3, and the singer has promised a selection of The Who's greatest hits too.

Featuring such songs as Pinball Wizard, I'm Free and See Me Feel Me, The Who – one of the top British bands of the 1960s and 70s – never actually performed the entire Tommy album in concert. Though it was made into a film starring Daltrey alongside Tina Turner and Elton John.

Daltrey premiered this show at the Royal Albert and takes it on the road for three weeks

starting at the Civic Hall. The Who's guitarist and Tommy composer Pete Townshend will not be taking part in the concerts but his younger brother, Simon Townshend, will be playing guitar in Daltrey's band.

Pete Townshend said: "I will be there in spirit and Roger has my complete and most loving support. Roger is touring his unique concert version of Tommy using his faithful presentation of the original work as the backbone for a set of wider material."

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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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SHROPSHIRE lady 48, slim, attractive, N/S, seeks attractive male, 5ft 10ins plus for good times, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 359491 

ATTRACTIVE female, 42, slim, brunette, no ties, N/S, likes travel, nights out, weekends away, seeks slim male for possible relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 327579 

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
KIND romantic, loving lady, 43, slight disability, seeks genuine, caring male for relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 354533 

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SINGLE mum, new to area, red hair, blue eyes, slim, seeks handsome guy 30-40 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364715 


SHROPSHIRE female, 40, seeking friend/relationship with a genuine male. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 353071 

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
LADY 76, N/S, caring, respectable, WLTm gentleman, 70-76 for outings, holidays, day trips and friendship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340021 

ATTRACTIVE tall, black female, 51, 6ft, slim-medium build, kind, honest, considerate, own home, seeks genuine, tall, faithful, 6ft plus male, 45-70 with own home for serious relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 349211 


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
WHITE 50's genuine modern West Brom female, divorced, easygoing, seeks fit medium male, 50-60 for LTR. Car owner preferred. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 358855 

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SUE attractive, slim, 50's, green eyes, varied interests, trendy, OHAC, seeks special guy. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 180587 


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


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
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
ALFIE 44, black hair, seeks female, any age for fun times, friendship, cuddles, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 368267 


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
HONEST male, 72, OHAC, likes seaside trips, gardening, meals out, pubs, WLTm honest lady, any age. Shropshire. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 368227 


50's guy, likes country life, seeks lady with similar interests, age/size unimportant, it's what's inside that counts. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362791 

HAPPY fit active guy, 50's, likes sports, walks, meals out, theatre, weekends away, seeks nice, attractive female to share outings with. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367047 

EASYGOING male, 40, seeks female for good times, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 366957 

MALE 39, solvent, no ties, seeks special lady, 29-39, N/S for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362509 


AFTAR 43, kind, caring, likes days in/out, seeks female, 28-40 for fun, maybe more. Sutton Coldfield. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 368653 


BRIAN 60 single Walsall male, WLTm local lady having similar needs, hopefully slim-medium build. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 366629 

THOUGHTFUL adventurous, attractive guy, 37, OHAC, likes nights in, seeks attractive girl with similar interests. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 360663 

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DENNIS 6ft, seeks smart lady, 60-70 for friendship, nights out, weekends and country drives. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 366641 

BRIAN single dad, likes pool, cinema, football, seeks female for fun, friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 306121 


MALE 60, tall, fit, young looks, seeks special lady 50-58. West Bromwich. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367741 


WHITE male 50, seeks lady interested in naughty indoor fun and a lasting friendship. Any age/looks/nationality. Wiltshire. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367555 

31YR old, slim, dark hair, dynamic, fit, shy like photography, N/S for sports, seeks likeminded female of similar age. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 352753 

SHY male 45, 5ft 8ins, medium build, short hair, non drinker, N/S, no ties, very lonely hurt in past, female, 20-70 with GSOH. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 325385 

TALL fit, good looking guy 48, GSOH, respects, seeks playful female for fun. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364559 

SINGLE dad, 44, slim, good looking, seeks lady for friendship, maybe more, nights in and out. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367415 

SHROPSHIRE male, 53, tall, dark, attractive, seeks attractive female for fun and excitement, any age/status. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367373 


ATTRACTIVE soul girl wanted, 40-55, N/S. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362611 

SPORTY good looking guy, 37, OHAC, good job, likes meals out, pubs, cinema, nights in, seeks attractive female, 27-42. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364633 

FRANCIS 51, likes nights out, a laugh, seeks female with a GSOH. Wolverhampton. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364381 

MALE 62, fit, active, likes outdoors, holidays, country walks, swimming, N/S, seeks young, fit, attractive female, 50-62 for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 335385 

MALC blue eyes, slim, seeks open-minded female, any age/nationality for fun and good times. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 350993 

MALE seeks open-minded female, any age/nationality for fun and good times. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 366425 

TALL handsome male, 41, GSOH, likes romantic days/nights in/out, WLTm attractive, down to earth, young lady, 35-55, size unimportant. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 346611 



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Here's a show that's naughty . . . but nice

A GROUP of very different women are brought together to learn pole-dancing to raise money for a cancer charity in Dave Simpson's girls'-night-out comedy The Naked Truth, at the Wolverhampton Grand from Tuesday to Saturday, June 7 to 11.

Girl power anthems provide the soundtrack as the motley crew are put through their paces in this naughty-but-nice show with a poignant undercurrent.

The cast includes former Hairspray star Leanne Jones as big and brassy Bev, alongside Maureen Nolan, Sarah White, Coronation Street's Nikki Sanderson and Hollyoaks actress Julie Buckfield. Acclaimed National Theatre production The Pitmen Painters ends its run at the Grand on Saturday. At the weekend, Cbeebies stars of Show Me Show Me, Chris and Pui, entertain family audiences on Sunday at 1 and 4pm.

The Harlem Gospel Choir will perform soul-stirring music on Monday at 7.30pm. Welsh National Opera are coming to Birmingham Hippodrome to present Puccini's Turandot on June 8 and 10 and a new production of Mozart's Così Fan Tutte on June 9 and 11.

A new, updated Yes, Prime

Minister, with Simon Williams as Sir Humphrey Appleby, continues at the Hippodrome to Saturday, June 4.

Take That tribute Back For Good is at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre tomorrow night (Friday).

Ladysmith Black Mambazo are in concert with songs from their latest album Songs From A Zulu Farm at the Symphony Hall in Birmingham tonight (Thursday) and forthcoming concerts at the venue also include West End star Michael Ball on Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11.

Meanwhile, Judy Collins is in concert at Birmingham Town Hall on Tuesday.

Tom Stoppard's timeshifting drama Arcadia is staged at the Crescent Theatre from Saturday for eight days.

Celebrated

More than 50 years of Coronation Street is celebrated with affectionate humour in Corrie! which is staged at The Regent Theatre in the Potteries from Monday to Saturday.

Macbeth, Cardenio, The City Madam and Rupert Goold's thrilling Vegas-style The Merchant of Venice are in the Royal Shakespeare Company's repertoire at Stratford-upon-Avon.

Comedy highlights include the winner of ITV's Take The Mike, Patrick Monahan at The Public in West Bromwich tomorrow night (Friday), and The Real Deal Comedy Jam with American star Joe Torry at the New Alex on Saturday.



Leanne Jones and Sarah White in The Naked Truth

Boycie takes starring role in festival debut



John Challis

ACTOR John Challis, best known for his classic comedy role as Boycie in Only Fools And Horses, is appearing in the Shakespeare play that marks a highlight of the annual Ludlow Festival.

Challis will be playing one of the Bard's most pompous characters, Malvolio, in an open-air production of Twelfth Night amid the ruins of the Shropshire market town's castle this summer.

"Malvolio is a part I love," said the actor. "I've always been fascinated by history and ever since I saw the fantastic castle in Ludlow, I've wanted to do something in that venue."

Highlights

"To be making my Ludlow Festival debut in such a great role means my wish has finally come to fruition."

Twelfth Night will be staged from June 25 to July 9. Other festival highlights include concerts by the BBC Big Band, Barbara Dickson and a performance by raconteur Gyles Brandreth. The festival will be rounded off in the castle grounds with a Shakin' Stevens concert and big fireworks finale.

For more information see the festival website at www.ludlowfestival.co.uk or call 01584 872150.

City welcomes the return of Rattle

SIR Simon Rattle is returning to conduct the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra at the Symphony Hall on June 12, when they perform Gustav Mahler's Das Lied von der Erde as part of the Birmingham Mahler Cycle. Sir Simon made his name at Birmingham over a period of 18 years before leaving the city a decade ago to lead the Berlin Philharmonic.

Other forthcoming classical highlights in the city include: Andris Nelsons conducts when the CBSO present a programme entitled Ravel in Spain at the Symphony Hall on Tuesday evening; Julian Lloyd Webber performs Elgar's Cello Concerto at the Town Hall on Wednesday at 2.30pm; Nelsons is the man with the baton again when the CBSO perform Ravel's Bolero at the Symphony Hall on June 15 at 7.30pm.

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6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.35 Rachel Allen: Home Cooking. (R) 12.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather. 12.15 Usain Bolt: Running Man. 12.45 A Question of Sport. (R) 1.15 Derby Day. 4.30 Total Wipeout - Celebrity Special. (R) 5.30 BBC News: Regional News; Weather. 5.40 So You Think You Can Dance Live.

6.40 Doctor Who. Amy is kidnapped, signalling the approach of the Battle of Demons Run, the conflict in which the Doctor is destined to face his darkest hour. Starring Matt Smith.

7.30 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Sophie Ellis-Bextor is the guest on the game show in which two pairs of strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.

8.20 Casualty. Mads comes face to face with the taxi driver who assaulted her.

9.10 So You Think You Can Dance. The dancers with the lowest votes perform again.

9.30 John Bishop's Britain. Comedy, with guest Natalie Cassidy. Last in the series. (R)

10.00 Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow. With Kevin Bridges, Daniel Sloss, Milton Jones and Craig Campbell. (R)

10.30 BBC News: Weather.; National Lottery Update. 10.55 FILM: Firewall. (2006) Action thriller, starring Harrison Ford.

12.35 Derby Day Highlights. Weatherview. 1.10 BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 12.00 Coast. 12.15 Diagnosis Murder. 1.00 Two Greedy Italians. (R) 2.00 Live French Open Tennis. The women's singles final. 5.10 Escape to the Country. (R) 5.40 Flog It! (R)

6.40 Dad's Army. The King visits Walmington-on-Sea. (R)

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7.10 Don't Panic! The Dad's Army Story. Victoria Wood pays tribute to the timeless humour of Dad's Army, introducing classic moments from the long-running series. Contributors include stars Clive Dunn and Ian Lavender. (R)

8.00 D-Day to Berlin. Docu-drama charting the campaign waged by Allied forces against Germany toward the end of the Second World War, beginning with events at the Normandy beach-head in 1944. (R)

9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You. With Richard Madeley and Joe Wilkinson. (R)

9.45 QI XL. With Liza Tarbuck. (R)

10.30 FILM: Enigma. (2001) Second World War romantic thriller, with Dougray Scott and Saffron Burrows.

12.20 French Open Tennis. 1.20 Film: A Study in Terror. (1965) John Neville stars. 2.55 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV: The Show. (R) 7.00 FIM Superbike World Championship. 7.25 Formula Ford Championship. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.50 T4: Friends. (R) 9.20 T4: X-Men: First Class - T4 Movie Special. 9.50 T4: The Wanted. Stars and Stripes. (R) 10.55 T4: Friends. (R) 11.25 T4: Style the Nation. 12.20 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.50 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.20 That Paralympic Show. 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. 3.55 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 4.25 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 5.30 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R)

7.00 Britain's Got Talent Final. The national talent search comes to a close as the 10 finalists take to the stage one last time, competing to impress the judges as well as the voting public. The results can be seen at 9.30pm.

9.00 Popstar to Operastar: The Curtain Raiser. This year's line-up is revealed.

9.30 Britain's Got Talent Final Results. This year's winner is announced. Last in the series.

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10.00 ITV News: Weather. 10.15 International Football Highlights. England v Switzerland. (R)

11.15 FILM: The Gauntlet. (1977) Action adventure, starring Clint Eastwood.

1.15 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. 3.20 In Plain Sight. 4.05 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Film Show. (R) 7.00 FIM Superbike World Championship. 7.25 Formula Ford Championship. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.50 T4: Friends. (R) 9.20 T4: X-Men: First Class - T4 Movie Special. 9.50 T4: The Wanted. Stars and Stripes. (R) 10.55 T4: Friends. (R) 11.25 T4: Style the Nation. 12.20 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.50 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.20 That Paralympic Show. 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. 3.55 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 4.25 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 5.30 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R)

6.00 Channel 4 News. 6.25 4thought.tv. A Catholic woman discusses her views on cosmetic surgery.

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6.30 FILM: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King. (2003) As Frodo and Sam near the end of their quest, their friends face a final battle with the forces of darkness. Climax of the fantasy trilogy, starring Elijah Wood.

10.15 FILM: X-Men: The Last Stand. (2006) Superhero sequel, starring Hugh Jackman.

12.15 Film: Oldboy. (2003) Revenge thriller. 2.25 Ugly Betty. (R) 3.10 The Dead Zone. (R) 3.55 Island. (R) 4.10 Hill Street Blues. (R) 5.00 Vogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Meals in Moments. (R) 10.10 How Do They Do It? (R) 10.40 The Gadgets Show. (R) 11.40 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green - At the Ends of the Earth. (R) 12.40 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 1.45 Film: Hangman's Knot. (1952) Western, starring Randolph Scott. 3.20 Film: The Pink Panther. (2006) Comedy remake. 5.05 Film: My Girl 2. (1994) Drama sequel, with Anna Chlumsky.

7.00 Cricket. England v Sri Lanka.

7.55 5 News Weekend. 8.00 NCIS. The bodies of two assassins are delivered to NCIS from overseas - so Tony and Ziva assume their identities and keep a rendezvous at a luxury hotel in a bid to identify their target. (R)

9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Sara is used as bait to trap an elusive serial killer who is obviously well-versed in forensic procedure and knows how to plant false evidence at crime scenes. (R)

10.00 CSI: NY. Mac considers ending his career after a near-fatal experience. Last in the series.

10.55 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Catherine unwittingly flirts with a murder suspect. (R)

11.55 Rough Guide To. Holiday highlights. (R)

12.10 SCXTRA. 12.40 SuperCasino. 4.00 Rough Guide to Activity Holidays. (R) 4.10 Great Scientists. (R) 4.35 HouseBusters. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

ITV2
3.00 Film: Nanny McPhee (2005) 5.00 Britain's Got Talent 6.30 Britain's Got Talent Results 7.00 Grimefighters 8.00 The Vampire Diaries 10.00 Britain's Got More Talent: The Final 11.00 Film: Hot Fuzz (2007) Action comedy, starring Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. Including FYI Daily.

ITV3
2.30 Film: Evil Under the Sun (1982) 4.50 Inspector Morse 6.55 Rosemary & Thyme 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 11.05 The Classic Brit Awards 2011

ITV4
3.15 The Sweeney 4.20 Film: The Pride and the Passion (1957) 7.00 The Sweeney 8.00 John McGuinness - Breaking the Barrier 9.00 TT 2011 10.00 Film: The Hitcher (2007) 11.45 Film: Cross of Iron (1977)

BBC THREE
7.00 Great TV Mistakes 7.30 Doctor Who Confidential 8.15 Top Gear Bolivia Special 9.30 Great TV Mistakes 10.00 Film: Kill Bill: Vol 2 (2004) The Bride continues her quest to exact vengeance on those who tried to kill her on her wedding day. Thriller sequel, starring Uma Thurman, David Carradine and Daryl Hannah.

BBC FOUR
7.00 The Secret Life of Elephants 8.00 Latin Music USA 9.00 Wallander 10.25 African Railway 11.25 Top of the Pops: 1976

E4
1.25 Hollyoaks 4.00 Made in Chelsea 5.00 Friends 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 How I Met Your Mother 9.00 Friends 10.00 Film: Wrong Turn (2003) 11.40 The Cleveland Show

FILM4
2.35 A Room with a View (1986) 4.50 Paper Moon (1973) 7.00 Just My Luck (2006) Romantic comedy, starring Lindsay Lohan and Chris Pine. 9.00 PS I Love You (2007) 11.35 Lady Vengeance (2005)

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6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks: Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 The Politics Show. 1.00 EastEnders. 2.55 Life of Riley. (R) 3.25 Life of Riley. (R) 3.55 Escape to the Country. 4.40 Points of View. 4.55 Songs of Praise. 5.30 BBC News. Regional News; Weather.

6.00 **Inside the Human Body.** Michael Mosley presents a compilation of highlights from the series exploring the inner workings of the human body, including how faces are formed and the complex functions of eyes.

7.00 **Countryfile.** Julia Bradbury discovers why Northumberland's Kielder Water and Forest Park has become a haven for wildlife, and Matt Baker learns about the Domesday Reloaded project. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.00 **Antiques Roadshow.** Fiona Bruce looks back at memorable finds from the past series.

9.00 **Case Histories.** New series. Part one of two. Jason Isaacs stars.

10.00 **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

10.25 **Regional Programme.** Andrew Marr's Megacities. How heavily populated cities feed, protect and move their citizens. (R)

12.10 The Sky at Night. Weatherview. 12.35 Sign Zone: The Apprentice. (R) 1.35 Holby City. (R) 2.35 A History of Ancient Britain. (R) 3.35 BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Something for the Weekend. 11.30 Great British Menu. (R) 12.30 Live MotoGP. The Catalunya Grand Prix (Start-time 1.00pm). 2.00 Live French Open Tennis. The men's singles final.

6.10 **Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections.** The ingenious design secrets of NASA's space shuttle.

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7.00 **Top Gear.** Jeremy Clarkson spares no expense when he tests the BMW X6. Richard Hammond tries out a £340,000 Lexus, and James May drives the Vauxhall Insignia VXR.

8.00 **Murray Walker: Life in the Fast Lane.** A portrait of the motor-racing commentator.

9.00 **Coast.** New series. Nick Crane travels from London to Belgium.

10.00 **FILM: The Damned United.** (2009) Fact-based drama, starring Michael Sheen.

11.35 **Brian Clough: The Greatest Manager England Never Had?** The story of the charismatic and controversial football manager. (R)

12.35 The Shadow Line. (R) 1.35 French Open Tennis. 2.35 BBC News. 3.35 The Super League Show. 4.20 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 8.25 May the Best House Win. (R) 9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 10.25 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 11.30 This Morning: Sunday. 12.30 Dinner Date. (R) 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.35 Britain Does the Funniest Things. (R) 2.05 Britain's Got Talent Final. (R) 4.05 Britain's Got Talent Final Results. (R) 4.35 Midsomer Murders. (R)

6.35 **Regional Programmes.**

7.00 **ITV News; Weather.**

7.45 **The Royal Nurse** Susie's head is turned by a rich playboy, with devastating consequences for Mrs Middleditch, and Ormerod is called out to help a grieving widow stuck on her yacht.

8.00 **Popstar to Operastar.** New series. Eight pop singers learn to perform classical songs.

9.00 **Scott & Bailey.** Horrific events unfold following a killer's arrest.

10.00 **Popstar to Operastar: The Results.** The two least popular contestants perform again.

10.30 **ITV News; Weather.**

10.45 **FILM: The Constant Gardener.** (2005) Political thriller, with Ralph Fiennes.

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1.00 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. 2.00 British Superbike Championship Highlights. 3.00 Motorsport UK. 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV News.

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 That Paralympic Show. (R) 7.05 The Grid. 7.30 Triathlon. 8.00 T4: Style the Nation. 8.25 T4: Friends. (R) 8.50 T4: Hollyoaks. 11.25 T4: The Saturdays: Headlines Live. 12.00 T4: Friends. (R) 12.30 T4: Nicola Roberts: Video Exclusive. 12.35 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.05 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.40 Four in a Bed. (R) 2.10 Four in a Bed. (R) 2.40 Four in a Bed. (R) 3.15 Four in a Bed. (R) 3.45 Four in a Bed. (R) 4.15 Deal or No Deal. 5.20 Channel 4 News. 5.45 4thought. tv. 5.50 Film: Home Alone 2: Lost in New York. (1992)

8.00 **The Hotel.** Manager Wayne claims he cannot bear to work with assistant Marta any longer, forcing owner Jonathan to intervene. The sows receive a new male companion. Last in the series.

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9.00 **FILM: Role Models.** (2008) Premiere. After a brush with the law, two irresponsible men are forced to look after troubled kids. Comedy, starring Paul Rudd.

11.00 **FILM: Zoolander.** (2001) Comedy, starring Ben Stiller.

12.45 Jamie's Dream School. (R) 1.45 Jackpots and Jinxes: Lottery Stories. (R) 2.40 Film: Silver Streak. (1976) Comedy thriller, with Gene Wilder. 4.40 Civilization: Is the West History? (R) 5.35 Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. (R) 6.15 Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) 6.25 Fireman Sam. (R) 6.40 Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) 6.50 Elmo's World. (R) 7.05 Chiro. (R) 7.10 Mio Mao. (R) 7.20 Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) 7.30 Noddy in Toyland. (R) 7.45 Hana's Helpline. (R) 8.00 Little Princess. (R) 8.10 Milkshake Monkey. (R) 8.15 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) 8.30 Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) 8.45 Rupert Bear. (R) 9.00 Olivia. (R) 9.15 The Mr Men Show. (R) 9.30 Gerald McBoing Boing. (R) 10.00 Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) 10.15 McFly on the Wall. 10.45 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. (R) 11.45 D-Day: The Ultimate Conflict. (R) 1.50 Film: Mission to Mars. (2000) Sci-fi adventure, starring Gary Sinise. 4.00 5 News Weekend. 4.05 Film: Kelly's Heroes. (1970) Second World War adventure, starring Clint Eastwood.

7.00 **Crickets.** England v Sri Lanka.

7.55 **FILM: Shanghai Noon.** (2000) A 19th-century imperial guard to the Emperor of China is flung into the Wild West on a mission to rescue a kidnapped princess. Comedy Western, starring Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson.

10.00 **FILM: Rambo.** (2008) Premiere. Action sequel, starring Sylvester Stallone.

11.50 **UFC 128: Main Event.**

12.50 SuperCasino. 4.00 Rough Guide to Short Breaks. (R) 4.10 Great Artists. (R) 4.35 Nick's Quest. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

ITV2
3.40 Film: Robots (2005) 5.30 Britain's Got Talent Final 7.30 Britain's Got Talent Final Results 8.00 Film: The Scorpion King (2002) 9.45 Jessie J: The Hot Desk 10.00 Film: The Shawshank Redemption (1994) A banker wrongly jailed for his wife's murder forms an extraordinary friendship with a fellow inmate and conceives a unique escape plan. Drama, with Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. Including FYI Daily.

ITV3
3.10 Goodnight Mister Tom 5.15 Film: March of the Penguins (2005) 6.55 Mr Bean 8.00 Film: Parenthood (1999) 10.30 A Touch of Frost

ITV4
11.30 Live British Touring Car Championship. Coverage of the fourth round of the season at Oulton Park. 6.00 Murray Walker's TT Memories 7.00 The Professionals 8.00 The Sweeney 9.00 TT 2011 10.00 Film: Soldier (1998)

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who 7.50 Great Movie Mistakes 2: The Sequel 7.55 Film: 101 Dalmatians (1996) 9.30 Ideal 10.00 Family Guy 10.45 American Dad! 11.30 Ideal

BBC FOUR
7.00 Britain's Park Story 8.00 Edgar Allan Poe: Love, Death and Women 9.00 A History of Horror with Mark Gatiss 10.00 Film: Gods and Monsters (1998) 11.40 Annie Nightingale: Bird on the Wireless

E4
3.00 Jo Frost: Extreme Parental Guidance 4.05 Film: Volcano (1997) 6.00 Friends 7.00 90210 7.55 Friends 9.00 Desperate Housewives 11.00 Being Erica 11.55 The Big Bang Theory

FILM4
3.00 Carry On Cabby (1963) 4.50 X-Men: First Class Special 5.00 Destination Moon (1950) 6.50 One Fine Day (1996) 9.00 Mr & Mrs Smith (2005) 11.15 Pathfinder (2007)

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BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Crimewatch Roadshow. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Real Rescues. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. 6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 8.00 EastEnders. 8.30 A Job to Get Work - Panorama. 9.00 Case Histories. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 A Question of Sport. 11.00 The Graham Norton Show. (R) 11.50 Film: A Lot Like Love. (2005) Romantic comedy, starring Ashton Kutcher and Amanda Peet; Weatherview. 1.35 Sign Zone: Wonders of the Universe. (R) 2.35 Inside the Human Body. (R) 3.35 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 4.05 BBC News.

BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 The Story of Ireland. 8.00 Springwatch. 9.00 The Weather. 9.30 The Machines of Loving Care. 10.00 Psychoville. 2.10 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 D-Day to Berlin. (R) 12.00 Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections. (R) 1.10 BBC News. 4.05 Close.

ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 3.00 Secret Dealers. 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Dales. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 Justice. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: Taking Lives. (2004) Detective thriller, starring Angelina Jolie. 12.30 The Zone. 12.30 News Headlines. 2.30 Nightwatch with Steve Scott. 3.25 ITV Nightline. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.20 Sali Mail. (R) 6.25 The Treacle People. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 Friends. (R) 9.00 Frasier. (R) 9.55 Location, Location, Location. (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Great British Brands. (R) 12.20 Channel 4 News. (R) 12.50 Film: Guadalcanal Diary. (1943) Second World War drama, starring Preston Foster. 2.35 Baking Mad with Eric Lianard. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 thought.tv. 8.00 America's Secret Killers: Dispatches. 9.00 Embarrassing Fat Bodies. 10.00 Film: 27 Dresses. (2008) Romantic comedy, starring Katherine Heigl and James Marsden. 12.10 Poker. 1.15 24 Hours in A&E. (R) 2.10 Diagnosis Live from the Clinic. (R) 3.05 Laid Off. (R) 3.15 Reasons to Be Cheerful. (R) 3.30 When Hell Freezes. (R) 4.50 Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.15 Hill Street Blues. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 12.00 Meals in Moments. (R) 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.20 Law & Order. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 The Vanessa Show. 3.05 The Family Recipe. (R) 3.15 Film: The Waiting Game. (1998) Romantic thriller, starring Paula Abdul and Chris Potter. 5.00 5 News at 5; Weather. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 6.55 5 News at 7.00 Cricket. 8.00 The Gadget Show. 5 News at 9.00 The Hotel Inspector. 10.00 The Restaurant Inspector. 11.00 Film: Gothika. (2003) Horror, starring Psychological horror, starring Halle Berry. 11.00 Downey Jr. Penelope Cruz and Bernard Hill. 12.50 Rough Guide To. (R) 1.05 SuperCasino. 4.00 The Family Recipe. (R) 4.10 Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R) 4.55 County Secrets. (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS. (R) 5.35 House Doctor. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Crimewatch Roadshow. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Real Rescues. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 EastEnders. 8.00 BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 Holby City. 9.00 Junior Doctors: Your Life in Their Hands. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Pop Kids. British children living in poverty. National Lottery Update. 11.35 The Lock Up. (R) 12.10 Sign Zone: Children's Craniofacial Surgery. (R) 1.10 Women, Weddings, War and Me. (R) 2.10 DIY. Sign Zone: The Big Build. (R) 3.10 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 3.40 BBC News.

BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 Britain's Secret Seas. (R) 8.00 Springwatch. 2011. 9.00 The Country House Revealed. 10.00 Lead Balloon. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 D-Day to Berlin. (R) 12.20 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 Escape to the Country. 7.30 Springwatch. 2011. 8.30 Springwatch Unsprung. 2011. 9.00 Wonderland. Travels with My Family. 10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired! 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle. 11.50 Queen: Days of Our Lives. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 The Clydebank Blitz. 8.00 Springwatch. 2011. 9.00 The Shadow Line. 10.00 Mock the Week. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Psychoville. 2. (R) 11.50 Queen: Days of Our Lives. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 3.55 Close.

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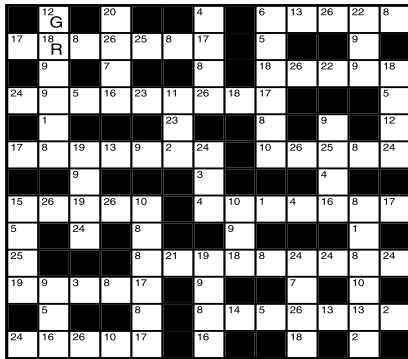
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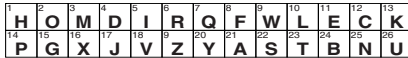
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Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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Cryptic Clues:

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1. They store honey, rash though it may be (5)
4. Include in a show of affection (7)
8. Present-day conclusion? (7)
9. Having been given material backing? (5)
10. Get out of position (4)
11. Soft red or blue? (8)
13. I could make this scheme plain (4)
14. They may look right to superiors (4)
16. Country-lovers (8)
17. Thanks be given first for a letter from Greece (4)
20. Like a layer of wood (5)
21. A first principle in current heaters (7)
22. One in exchanges of streams of invective (7)
23. Alert for change in the future (5)

Down

1. It doesn't openly flourish, naturally (3-5,5)
2. Sells, but closes after five (5)
3. For this pudding, turn up the gas-ring (4)
4. All there when I enter in some agitation (6)
5. Right in the centre of the target - that's sweet (5-3)
6. Possibly unite as kinswomen (7)
7. The last thing a tragedy might do (3,2,8)
12. Given due allowance, but not aired perhaps (8)
13. Vessel - lacking stabilisers? (7)
15. Controls some cattle (6)
18. Build and transform Crete (5)
19. Fit source of water for consumption (4)

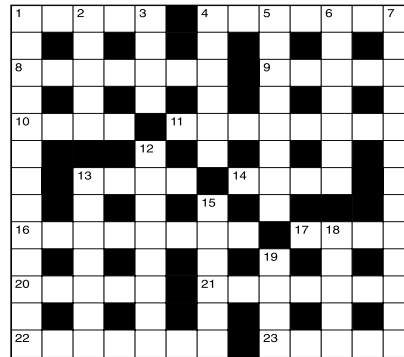
Quick Clues:

Across

1. Drone (5)
2. Tender (7)
3. To disorder (7)
4. Undress (5)
5. Liberate (4)
6. Correct (8)
7. Level (4)
8. In this place (4)
9. Throaty (8)
10. Money (4)
11. Strain (5)
12. Blow up (7)
13. Indignant (7)
14. Compact (5)

Down

1. Unremitting in effort (13)
2. Big (5)
3. Circle (4)
4. Penetrate (6)
5. Darkened (8)
6. Pardoned (7)
7. Further supply (13)
8. Stupefy (8)
9. Utter (7)
10. Obvious (6)
11. Throughout (5)
12. Locality (4)

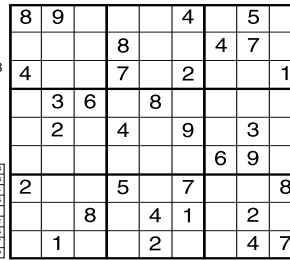


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Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

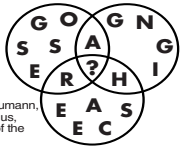
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Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

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Doreen's story

I have so much to thank Mr Burchell for... his advice and wonderful treatment.

I had a history of problems with my own teeth and received a lot of treatment in hospital. The implants I were advised to consider have been wonderful, but I found it a difficult decision to make. I hadn't heard of the procedure for dentures, but how glad I am that I took Mr Burchell's advice.

To say I am pleased with my new teeth is an understatement.

They are absolutely perfect and a pleasure to wear. I love to show them off. The difference the implants make to the security of the denture is simply unbelievable, it really is life-changing for me.

I found Mr Burchell's expertise second to none and he went to so much trouble to make each visit to the clinic a pleasure.

In the past I would have to consider what food to eat and there was always a problem with food particles becoming trapped under the bottom denture. I no longer have any problem at all and do not have to consider what food I should have or how to eat it.

Life has changed dramatically. The



dentures are so stable I no longer have to cut an apple to eat it. Another great benefit is that I don't have to continually wash my dentures.

I can understand how people would feel nervous about having implants. I am 81 and certainly don't feel too old to invest in such a life-changing experience.

Peter's story

I can eat anything, but that's not always been the case. It's as if I have my natural teeth back and I cannot believe the difference.

Having read good reports of Mr Burchell's reputation at fabricating realistic, natural-looking, well-fitting dentures, I made an appointment to see him.

On my first consultation I explained the difficulty I was having in stopping my lower dentures from moving around and not being retained in a comfortable position.

He suggested I visited implant dentist Jonathan Pugh to determine if it would be suitable for the procedure. I agreed, but not without reservation due to procedure involved. My consultation with Mr Pugh was professional and reassuring and the X-rays he took showed I had sufficient bone to support two implants which could secure my lower denture.

The insertion of the implants was painless - no different to having a filling.

Mr Burchell fitted my perfectly-crafted dentures, securing them to the implants.

They were a superb fit, a situation I



had not experienced for a number of years. While initial costs may appear high, having considered the long-term benefits of the treatment, I felt confident I was making the right decision.

The stability of the denture is just great and I can happily go to any restaurant without thinking about what suitable choice might be on the menu.



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Terry's story

I'm a confident guy, you know, nothing really keeps me down - even when things are not good. But I had nine years of trouble with my teeth and eventually it began to erode my confidence.

I would never have believed it: I'd have a laugh about it, but it really isn't funny when you have unresolved problems with false teeth.

My dentist eventually referred me to Mr Burchell to see if there was some way of making my plates fit properly. The difference now is a world apart. My plates fit perfectly, look like my real teeth and I can live life impulsively once again. Before, if I was going to a restaurant, I would have to use a fixative to secure my teeth. That was okay if I could eat within a couple of hours of using

the fixative. Anytime after that, it was hopeless, but now I can tackle anything. Previously, I had never been in contact with an actual denture-maker, teeth had always been prescribed through a dentist and the difference for me was incredible. There were five stages on the route to my final prescription and the treatment I received at every point was excellent. My teeth were well worth the money - what price can you put on being able to eat normally and socialise without embarrassment?

My confidence is back and Mr Burchell did everything he said he would: That my teeth would fit, I would be able to chew properly and they'd look real, totally natural. To sum up, there's nothing I have attempted to eat, which I have not been able to.

Lady Gaga: Born This Way.

The New York pop phenomena will fix herself in the firmament of stardom with this relentless, dance beat-driven album which is full to the brim with future hits.

Singer and songwriter, performance artist, outé fashion icon and self-created ga-dress, the success of the Monster Ball album has only encouraged her to become more outrageous and she is fully aware that she is baiting what used to be called the 'moral majority'.

She uses religious references (Jesus and Judas get plenty of namechecks) alongside the lipstick, high heels and whisky breath lyrics.

She shouldn't worry, angry preachers can't burn downloads on a bonfire like they once did Beatles records.

It's all part of her outsider image, her rallying cry to the misfits. She must have studied Bowie and Madonna.

Gaga has basically hijacked Madonna's act and, on the anthemic title track, her sound too in a song that surely shares it's DNA with Madonna's Express Yourself.

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But she also stays true to her clubland roots with almost every track having a hammering dance tune packing piercing synths and robotic rhythms.

Judas and the album's title track have already caused a stir but there are several other potential monster hits here, such as Road To Love, the Latino stomper Americano and Bad Kids.

Gaga does often lack subtlety, shows a worrying new tendency toward 'rawk' guitar licks and cheesy sax, and can write a clunky lyric ('twit' being perhaps the last word you would expect to find in a Gaga song).

Resistance is futile to her catchy hybrid of dance and pop because these songs will win you over or send you ga-ga.

But the biggest surprise is saved for last. On 'You And I' she has created a classic rock ballad in the Lynrd Skynrd mode, with Brian May style guitar. It will be this album's biggest monster.



Lady Gaga: self-created ga-dress

Fleet Foxes Helplessness Blues.

The Seattle folk rock band's second album has the group's distinctive timeless sound with songs driven by close harmonies but feels less of a band record.

The core of these songs were written by Robin Pecknold for a solo project and have that personal feel, almost like a song cycle exploring notions of self worth and finding your place in the world.

But it does coax a fine vocal performance from Pecknold, investing these songs with real passion, especially on the raw, introspective title track and the almost mystical The Shrine. Other highlights include Montezuma, Bedouin Dress and Sim Sala Bim, which perfectly distill the shiversome beauty of Fleet Foxes,

as if the Beach Boys had been reborn as a backwoods folk band.

Fleet Foxes have a gig at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on June 23.

Seasick Steve - You Can't Teach An Old Dog New Tricks.

The bearded bluesman celebrates his 70th year with his most commercial album yet, and it is also one of his best. The sound is fuller, with a peerless rhythm section featuring his regular drummer Dan Magnuson plus former Led Zeppelin bassist John Paul Jones.

The pulse of the album are boogie blues numbers propelled by his three-string 'trancel' guitar or cigar box guitar. But Steve also shows a more poignant side on Treasures (which features fiddle) and Long Long Way, Johnny Cash-like country/folk songs which bookend the album.

The Pierces - You & I

Gorgeous easy-on-the-ear soft rock from a pair of sisters from Birmingham, Alabama, who sound like they should be Californian.

If there was another 'summer of love' this album's Glorious should be it's anthem. I doubt we will hear a song more joyful and celebratory this year.

This fourth album, surely their breakthrough, also features the Fleetwood Mac-ish tracks You'll Be Mine and It Will Not Be Forgotten. Other influences include Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, The Eagles and Carole King.

Old fashioned, yes but that doesn't stop this being a lovely album.

The Pierces top the bill at The Library at HMV Institute, Birmingham, on June 12.

Caro Emerald Deleted Scenes From The Cutting Room Floor.

A sensation on the continent, this Dutch jazz singer spent half a year on top of her home nation's chart and she deserves success over here with this thoroughly enjoyable pop-jazz album including current Radio 2 favourite A Night Like This. Check it out if you like Fairground Attraction, Eliza Doolittle or Paloma Faith.

Andrea Corr - Lifelines.
A solo outing for one of the sisters from the massively successful Irish



The Pierces - joyful and celebratory



Andrea Corr - upmarket karaoke

easy rock band goes back to her musical influences to sing some of her favourite songs, ranging from country classic Blue Bayou and songbook standard I'll Be Seeing You to The Velvet Underground's Pale Blue Eyes. Best is her version of Kirsty MacColl's They Don't Know.

It's pleasant but rather like upmarket karaoke.

The Pains Of Being True At Heart - Belong

The New York pop-punk band create a likeable wall of sound featuring noisy buzzsaw guitars and hushed vocals which should find favour with anyone who has fond memories of such 80s bands as The Primitives, My Bloody Valentine and Jesus And Mary Chain.

The Pains are in concert at Birmingham's HMV Institute on June 14. The latest band from Manchester remind me of The Coral though, perhaps because it was recorded in a former church on a Scottish island, their album has a serene, pastoral flavour.

Sometimes in their folk-rock sound there are hints of The Beta Band, The Boo Radleys and The Waterboys too. Travelling Band are in concert at The Yardbird, Paradise Place, Birmingham, on June 8.

Leon Burakowski

Andrea Corr Glee Club, Birmingham

THE Glee Club managed to pull off something of a coup by being the venue where Irish songstress Andrea Corr decided to launch her first ever solo tour

This is even more impressive when you consider as part of the Corrs, Andrea - who is also an acclaimed actress in her own right - has appeared in packed stadiums, been a multi-award winner and sold millions of albums worldwide.

However, all that aside, waif-like and looking a little awkward at first she soon realised she was in front of a friendly sea of fans who packed the nightclub.

Andrea seems to want to confine the Celtic folk music which made her a household name to the background and branch out into more unfamiliar territory with the launch of her album Lifelines.

Although with Runaway and she did pay homage to her former incarnation. Throughout the show the talented artist displayed her versatility as a singer, pianist and tin whistle player.

Whether it was gently singing the old anthem, which is a strange choice for an album track, I'll Be Seeing You or prancing around the stage to the rock sound of State of Independence, you can see Andrea is a natural musician.

She went through the tracks of her album of covers which included a softer version of Blue Bayou than the one which got Linda Ronstadt into the charts.

Kirsty McColl's They Don't Know About Us went down well as did the hauntingly sung Some Things Last a Long Time.

Her skill on the piano was flawless as she looked vulnerable singing solo for Pale Blue Eyes.

As you would expect she finished with Tinseltown in The Rain after what, by other concert standards was quite short being on stage for about and hour and quarter, although there is no doubt the crowd went away happy.

This tour will be a good way for Andrea to re-establish herself as a big name in the pop world but the real test will come when she puts together an album of her own work, something to look forward to.

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*Price shown is for GEN-2 ecoLogic 1.6 GSX MT, manufacturer's list price £11,195 excluding metallic paint which is an option at £365. On the road price includes VAT, delivery, number plates, 12 months' road fund licence and first registration fee. GEN-2 ecoLogic models with automatic transmission are registered by Proton prior to conversion. **Free leather offer ends 31st March 2011 and is available on GEN-2 GSX models only. Available at participating dealers only and excludes Motability and Fleet sales. *Warranty is subject to maintenance in accordance with manufacturer's schedules 3 year or 60,000 miles. Terms and conditions apply.

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Each training school has been chosen for its ability to provide the high standards expected from a Ducati-supported scheme. All training facilities will be linked to a franchised Ducati dealership to enable dealers to offer a full service from training to purchase.

Initially the training will take place at the authorised training facilities on 125cc motorcycles before moving onto the training school's bigger bikes then relocating to the Ducati dealership where the training company will teach the rider on the Ducati Monster 696.

All training will be tailored to an individual's ability and previous experience and the price of each

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Riders over 21 may take their full licence on a bike of 46.6bhp or above (the Ducati Monster 696 is ideal for this). Once they have reached the required standard, all full-licence training will be conducted on the 696 and will cover all aspects of riding in town and country.

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Riders will be under the guidance of a fully qualified instructor with a radio link using a bike-to-bike radio. Upon successful completion of the practical motorcycle test they will be able to ride any size Ducati without waiting for the end of a two-year restriction.

To sign up for Ducati rider training, potential riders can call the participating Ducati dealer or the training centre quoting "Ducati Rider Training".

The Ducati Rider Training

scheme gives aspiring motorcyclists a more accessible route not only to rider training but also to the Ducati brand and the chance to learn to ride one of the most iconic bikes of modern times.

Debbie Wiggins, marketing manager for Ducati UK said: "Ducati UK is committed to introducing new people to not only motorcycling but also the Ducati brand."

"For many people their ambition is to learn to ride and ride a Ducati. This scheme encompasses both these aspects and makes the dream come true with a simple call to one of the 13 dealer/training facility locations."

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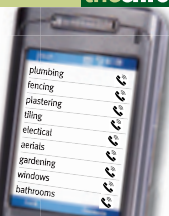
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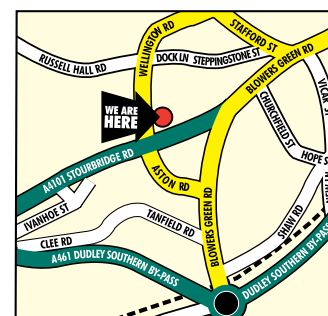


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Winner Dinesh Patel

No China crisis for winner

AMATEUR golfer Dinesh Patel, from Romsley near Halesowen, has qualified for an Audi quattro Cup UK regional final and a shot at a place in China.

Patel won the Jardine Audi Group qualifier at the Edgbaston Golf Club on May 27 with a score of 37 points in the Stableford rules matches. Almost 80

amateur golfers contested the 18-hole, Jardine Audi Group sponsored competition at the Edgbaston GC in Church Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

The top six finishers now go to an Audi Regional Final at the Belfry Golf Club, Wishaw near Sutton Coldfield, on July 14.

The full list of qualifiers is:

1 Dinesh Patel from Romsley near Halesowen, 37 points; 2 Phil Spittle from Wolverhampton, 35pts (18 back 9); 3 Peter Saunders from Cannock, 35pts (16 back 9); 4 Paul Slavin from Ombersley near Droitwich, 34pts (19 back 9); 5 Mark Walsh from Kings Norton, Birmingham 34pts (18 back 9); 6 Tony Deane from Lymm, Cheshire, 33pts.

Regional final winners contest the Audi quattro Cup UK Final at Bowdow Golf and Country Club in Wiltshire on September 14-15.

Ultimately two pairs will represent Great Britain in the Audi quattro Cup World Final staged at The Mission Hills Resort in China from November 7-11.

Ton for Jaffer in Himley victory

BIRMINGHAM League Premier leaders Himley romped to victory on Saturday against Smethwick.

The home team included recent Pakistani Test players Mohamed Akram and Azhar Mahmood.

But they could not prevent Himley from taking victory by 150 runs.

India's Wasim Jaffer, another with recent Test experience, made 137 in Himley's 270-2.

Ben Smith contributed 59 and Chris Tranter 58. Danny Smith (5-31) and Shafiq Ahmed (4-17) then ran through the home team, dismissing them for 120 as Ahmed took a hat-trick.

All-rounder Dougie Brown made an unbeaten 32 and claimed 4-20 as Barnet Green won by five wickets at Wellington.

The home team were dismissed for 114 and although Barnet Green had a wobble at 41-3, Richard Wilkinson (33) and Brown got them over the line.

Walsall's new overseas player Christiaan Jonker made a stunning 156 in only his second match.

He added 181 for the fourth wicket with Alex Christie (65) as Walsall went from 5-2 to close on 291-6.

Rain hit Knowle & Dorridge's reply and they finished on 168-7, Jonker taking 4-51.

Kidderminster Victoria made 250 with 93 from James Ralph but West Bromwich Dartmouth beat the rain to win by three wickets with eight balls to spare, Jeet Raval hitting 114.

Rain has the final word

BIRMINGHAM League cricket was all but washed out on Bank Holiday Monday.

Halesowen's game at leaders Whitchurch was the only Division Two match to get under way.

Whitchurch's batting point took them one point clear of Harborne who were rained off.

In a 25-over match Whitchurch made 148-4 off 19 overs, before further rain caused an abandonment.

Richard Oliver hit 55, Maz Hasnain 39 and Aqsa Ali was unbeaten on 33 when play was stopped.

Phil Croft (2-31) was best with the ball.

SKIPPER PLAYS A VITAL KNOCK

Walmley (3pts) 101, Old Hill (20pts) 102-8.
Old Hill won by two wickets

A CAPTAIN'S innings by Nathan Round gave Old Hill a precious two-wicket victory in a wildly fluctuating game at The Memorial Ground.

Zafran Ali's 4-23 had appeared decisive as Walmley were dismissed for just 101 in 38.3 overs.

Even that moderate total had looked beyond them at 38-7. But Old Hill also struggled with the bat, falling to 49-6 before Round steadied the ship.

Having won the toss, Old Hill chose to field and the wickets tumbled due to some hostile bowling before Findley (30) and Painter (20 not out) managed to push the total up to 101, writes Derek Griffiths.

Although the wicket did not appear ideal for batting, there did not seem to be any hidden demons. However, the visitors also found the going tough but Round, who had entered the fray at 115-2, played the innings of the day to see his team home to victory in the 39th over.

His knock of 54 not out was enough to secure a two-wicket win.

Walmley (3pts) 201, Old Hill 203-0. Old Hill won by 10 wickets

Opener Joe Thorn hit a splendid unbeaten century as the seconds cruised to a 10-wicket victory.

They put Walmley in at Haden Hill and started well as Jon Baig (4-50) and Connor Smith (3-37) reduced the visitors to 69-5. But dropped catches helped Brookiebank (71) and Burnett (32) add 84 in a total of 201 off 46 overs.

In reply, Old Hill's openers set about their task with gusto and soon had the scoreboard ticking over nicely.

They constructed an unbroken partnership of 203 to see the hosts home in 39 overs. Thorn finished on 104 not out with Alex Hills unbeaten on 79.

Stourbridge (0pts) 65, Old Hill (20pts) 66-2. Old Hill won by eight wickets

The thirds were comfortable winners at the King Edwards School Ground.

Batting first, the hosts were dismissed for 66 in 32 overs with Winston Lewis (4-15), Dan Such (2-10), Ravi Nagra (2-13) and Ollie Moseley (1-8) sharing the wickets.

Old Hill then won in 12 overs as Jon Baig Jr (27) and George Derham (23 not out) helped the visitors claim the 20

Old Hill CC

points which took them to the top of the league. Stourbridge (3pts) 119, Old Hill (20pts) 122-8.

Old Hill won by two wickets

Jonny Preece made 29 as the fourths edged home by two wickets at Wassell Grove.

Old Hill put the visitors in and removed them for 119 in 39.1 overs with Joel Foster (5-23) and Irshad Ahmed (2-15) leading the way.

In reply, the hosts batted cautiously to reach 122-8 wickets in 37 overs and take their first league victory of the season.

This result meant victories for all four Old Hill teams on Saturday and a clean sweep.

Old Hill 185-8, Smethwick 187-8. Smethwick won by two wickets

Old Hill went out of the Staffs Cup at the second round stage on Sunday in a tight finish.

They travelled the short distance to Broomfield and posted 185-8 off their 45 overs with Dan Cox (64) and Alex Hills (34) top scoring for the visitors.

The hosts' reply got off to a steady start before the introduction of Alex Hills put the brakes on.

He took a wicket with each of his first two balls and ended with four to add to his 34 runs with the bat.

However, it was not quite enough as the home side reached their target in the final over to win a close game by two wickets against an under-strength side.

Saturday: Firsts at Shillal (noon); seconds at Shillal (12.30pm); thirds at home to Rose-on-Wye (1.30pm); fourths at Rose-on-Wye (1.30pm).

Sunday: Firsts at Shrewsbury, ECB National 120 (10.30am); Sunday XI at Lye (2pm).

Legal eagles land with six-a-side



Six-a-side players at the charity tournament run by legal firm Higgs & Sons

LEGAL FIRM Higgs & Sons brought together 200 players from the world of law to play in its annual charity tournament.

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Senior partner Ian Shovlin said the event was the most successful that the firm had ever run.

"We would like to thank everyone that took part and who helped us raise money for such a great charity," he said.

To help the teams recover, Higgs laid on a hog roast and served ice-cream from a van which played the theme tune from Match of the Day!

Frantic action in the B grade gala

A FRANTIC day of competition was held at Wolverhampton Central Baths by Stourbridge Swimming Club for its annual B Grade gala.

The graded event is so-called because exceeding the upper cut-off times earns a speeding ticket!

All event winners received a hand cut lead crystal goblet, with further awards made to eighth place.

In total, 432 awards were made across 36 events.

The idea for the gala is to give the average club swimmer the opportunity for success and maintain enthusiasm for the

sport. It's also an ideal place to start for those swimmers who have never contested an open meet.

Now in its tenth year the event was oversubscribed and feedback from the visiting clubs indicated a big success.

Squeeze

At the lunch-time session Bilston were the highest placed visiting club but as the event drew to a close, Worcester just managed to squeeze past.

Matt Rochell, from Worcester Swimming Club, was presented with a cheque by Becki Cole, Stourbridge's ladies club captain.



Celebrations for, back from left, Veronica Kumeta and Chris Bohemia of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer and, front from left, Vicki Bennett and Clare Smith of Higgs & Sons

Club on lookout for next talents

STOURBRIDGE FC are spreading the net wider in the search for young football talent.

The club's youth team has swept all before them in the past two seasons and the last campaign saw the Glassboys establish junior sides for the first time in their history.

Having used last season to establish the junior sides, Stourbridge are now looking at a serious assault on the Midland Junior Premier League for 2011-12.

With teams already entered in age groups from under-12 to under-18, the club intends to lift silverware during the next 12 months.

Andy Bullingham, general manager and acting youth development manager, said: "This year has been a bedding in process and we have all learned a lot about what is required."

"We will have 10 sides representing us next year and seven of those teams will be competing in the Midland Junior Premier League."

Capable

"We are very keen to provide a natural progression through the age groups to ultimately provide the right quality of player capable of playing youth team football for us and subsequently moving on to play for our first team."

The club will be holding trials for the various age groups. Anyone interested should contact the relevant manager.

Under-12: Keith McKenna, 07771 925914. Trials at Old Halesonians, June 11 (10am-noon).

Under-13: Steve Hooper, 07973 274991.

Under-14: Dave Rich, 07961 225840. Trials at Old Halesonians, June 4 and 11 (10am-noon).

Under-15: Mick Cox, 07870 202543.

Under-16: Paul Hickman, 07966 624556. Trials at Old Halesonians, June 18 and 19 (10am-noon).

Under-18: Joe Jessop, 07787 411956. Trials at Old Halesonians, June 27 and July 4 (7-8.30pm).

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